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Dear Mr. Lederberg,

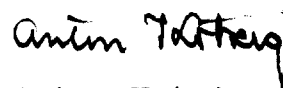
Many thanks for your kind letter. I am sorry not being able to answer immediately your interesting question, which you submitted to me in the last letter, without not thinking it over. Nevertheless I will deal with this question and it will be a pleasure for me to inform you later on the results of my researches.

I suppose, that the convex trivalent polyhedron with the required character does not exist. But I can prove up to the time only this : if P is such a polyhedron with the required character, which has the lowest number of vertexes, then P does not content a triangle.

I would be pleased, if also in future you would let me know other problems, which occasioned your interest in the theory of graphes, and please particularize, how you happened to fall upon this problem. I think, I could be more useful to you then.

I am glad to send you my published works /especially those with English abstracts/, as far as I am in possession of them.

Sincerely yours,



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